

## MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

Budget and Finance Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Facilities and Transportation Committee Meeting – Immediately following Budget and Finance  
Curriculum, Instruction and Technology Committee Meeting – Immediately following Facilities and  
Transportation

Administration Building – Board Room

### MINUTES

Present:

Board: Mr. Bilker, Mrs. Harvey, Mr. Serano, Mrs. Byrne

Administration: Dr. Tina Kane, Dr. Kevin Fagan, Dr. Joel DiBartolomeo, Mr. Dominic  
DuVernois, Mr. Jake Gallagher, Dr. Kerri McGinley

Press: 0

Audience: 3

#### 1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mr. Bilker called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

#### 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Bilker led the Pledge of Allegiance

#### 3. **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

3.01 Committee Report – Barbara Harvey, Chairperson

Mrs. Harvey turned the meeting over to Mr. DuVernois

3.02 Additions to the Agenda ~ there was none.

Mr. DuVernois advised that these are the normal bills for the month, a completed list will be ready for the end of the month.

3.03 Bills for Payment

MOTION: To approve and authorize payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$848,589.64.

3.04 Financial Reports

MOTION: To approve the monthly financial reports for April 2026 and Budget Transfers.

Mr. DuVernois asked for motion under 3.05 and 3.06 be approved by the full Board

3.05 Budgetary Reserve Transfer

MOTION: To approve a transfer from Budgetary Reserve in the amount of \$15,000 for the repairs and maintenance of transportation vehicles.

3.06 Donation, Loomis and Russell Elementary Schools

MOTION: To accept a donation to Loomis and Russell Elementary Schools for books from the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation through their 2026 Literacy Program.

Mr. DuVernois explained that these motions are done yearly.

3.07 School Board Treasurer

MOTION: To elect Michael Nardo as School Board Treasurer and Custodian of Student Funds from July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027.

3.08 Athletic Trainer

MOTION: To approve a five-year agreement with Mishock Physical Therapy, LP d/b/a Xcelerate Physical Therapy, as presented. District Solicitor has reviewed.

Mr. DuVernois asked that motion 309 be taken to the full Board for approval.

3.09 2026 Tax Assessment Appeal

MOTION: To authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize resolution on Folio 25-00-05109-00 as follows:

For tax year 2026, an assessment of \$544,062 and a fair market value of \$949,000.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$86,568 below the 2026 assessment and yields a tax dollar decrease of approximately \$1,080 to our District for tax year 2026, estimating the loss based on the 2025 millage rate.

3.10 Other Business ~ there was none.

3.11 Public Comment ~ there was none.

3.12 Adjournment

**4. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

4.01 Committee Report – David Dezzi, Chairperson

4.02 Additions to the Agenda ~ there was none.

Mr. Gallagher asked that the following motions be approved by the full Board

#### 4.03 Policy

MOTION: To approve the Second Reading of School Board Policy 805.1-NEW, as presented. District Solicitor has reviewed.

MOTION: To approve the Second Reading of School Board Policy 805.2 Vol VI 2025, as presented. District Solicitor has reviewed.

MOTION: To approve the Second Reading of School Board Policy 822, as presented. District Solicitor has reviewed.

MOTION: To approve the Second Reading of School Board Policy 823 Vol VI 2024, as presented. District Solicitor has reviewed.

#### 4.04 Transportation

Dr. DiBartolomeo explained that this motion was for new drivers and safety.

MOTION: To approve the agreement between MNSD and Transfinder for the purchase of ten (10) GPS devices and 25 user licenses to be placed on District vehicles. The terms of this agreement will be effective May 29, 2026, through May 29, 2029, and will cost \$29,258.00, as presented. This agreement has been reviewed by the District's solicitor's office.

4.05 Other Business ~ there was none.

4.06 Public Comment ~ there was none.

4.07 Adjournment

### 5. CURRICULUM, INSTRUCTION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

5.01 Committee Report – Dana Altobelli, Chairperson

Dr. Fagan asked for motions 5.03 through 5.05 to be approved by the full Board

5.02 Additions to the Agenda ~ there was none.

5.03 Student Trips, Marple Newtown High School

MOTION: To approve Chris Gicking, coach, to accompany Marple Newtown High School football team to Lebanon Valley College in Annville, PA, from July 18-21, 2026. The cost of transportation is \$2,524.26 to be paid by the District. The cost of the activity is \$400 per student to be paid by the student. The total cost to the District is \$2,524.26, as presented.

MOTION: To approve Michael Winterbottom, advisor, to accompany Marple Newtown High School Best Buddies to Indiana University in Bloomington, IN, from July 17-20, 2026. The cost of transportation is \$400 to be paid by the District. The cost of the activity is \$800 to be paid by the District. The total cost to the District is \$1,200, as presented.

MOTION: To approve Elizabeth Landes, advisor, to accompany Marple Newtown High School Hi-Q team to The Pennsylvania State Capitol in Harrisburg, PA, on June 2, 2026. The cost of transportation is \$727.67 to be paid by the District. The total cost to the District is \$727.67, as presented.

#### 5.04 Curriculum Purchase

MOTION: To approve SAVVAS as a new curricular resource for Political and Economic Issues at Marple Newtown High School. The cost to the District is not to exceed \$24,680.13, as presented.

MOTION: To approve McGraw Hill as a new curricular resource for World Civilizations I and II at Marple Newtown High School. The cost to the District is not to exceed \$50,144.02, as presented.

MOTION: To approve Reveal Math as the new curricular resource for 6-8 grade Math at Paxon Hollow Middle School. The cost to the District is not to exceed \$125,250.51, as presented.

MOTION: To approve SketchCop Solutions, Inc. as a new digital resource for 9-12 grade Science at Marple Newtown High School. The total cost to the District is \$129, as presented.

MOTION: To approve the purchase and implementation of the Read 180 reading intervention program for the elementary level. The total cost is \$57,624.97 with \$27,500 to be paid by the District and \$30,124.97 to be paid using Ready to Learn Grant, as presented.

#### 5.05 Disposals

MOTION: To approve the disposal of books at Worrall Elementary School, as presented.

MOTION: To approve the disposal of books at Culbertson Elementary School, as presented.

#### 5.06 Other Business ~ there was none.

5.07 Public Comment ~ there were several community members that were concerned with the change from Wilson program to the 180 program. They stated that their students were able to read working with the Wilson program and wanted the district to look further into the 180 program before voting.

#### 5.08 Adjournment

With no further business for the Board, Mr. Bilker adjourned the meeting at 6:43 PM.